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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, MARCH 29, 1999

APPLICATION OF

BELL ATLANTIC-VIRGINIA, INC. CASE NO. PUC980194

To implement extended local service from its Richmond exchange to its Goochland exchange

FINAL ORDER

On December 16, 1998, Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc. ("BA-VA" or the "Company") filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") pursuant to the provisions of § 56-484.2 of the Code of Virginia. BA-VA proposed to notify its Richmond exchange subscribers of the increases in monthly rates that would be necessary to extend their local service to include the Goochland exchange. Customers in the Goochland exchange had previously petitioned the Commission for local calling to Richmond. In a poll conducted in response to the petition, a majority of the Goochland customers responding supported paying higher rates for local calling to Richmond. A poll of Richmond subscribers was not required under § 56-484.2(A) of the Code of Virginia because the proposed rate increase does not exceed 5% of the existing monthly one-party residential rate.

By order dated January 20, 1999, the Commission directed BA-VA to publish notice of the proposed increase. Affected telephone customers were given until March 17, 1999, to file comments or request a hearing on the proposal. No comments or requests for a hearing were received.

On February 26, 1999, BA-VA filed proof of notice as required by the Commission's January 20, 1999, order.

On March 26, 1999, the Commission Staff submitted its report regarding the Company's application. The Staff recommended that BA-VA's application to implement extended local service from its Richmond exchange to its Goochland exchange be approved. Accordingly,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- (1) The proposed extension of local service from BA-VA's Richmond exchange to its Goochland exchange shall be implemented.
- (2) BA-VA shall file the tariff revisions necessary for the proposed extension of local service.
- (3) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this docket is closed and the papers filed herein shall be placed in the file for ended causes.